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Planning

Operational and Interpretation Signage

English Heritage Trust

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Main address

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I.3) Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/english-heritage.aspx/Home>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Recreation, culture and religion

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Operational and Interpretation Signage

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 31523200 - Permanent message signs

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

Provision of various types of signage for operational or interpretative use as well as associated services (e.g. fitting).

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £1,750,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 34924000 - Variable message signs
- 34928470 - Signage

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Various English Heritage sites across England

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

English Heritage cares for over 400 historic buildings, monuments and sites - from world-famous prehistoric sites to grand medieval castles, from Roman forts on the edges of the empire to a Cold War bunker. Through these, we bring the story of England to life for over 10 million people each year.

In opening our historic properties to visitors, we need to ensure that we provide the information necessary for them to navigate and understand the properties as part of their

overall experience.

The overall presentation of our sites says a great deal about us as an organisation, and we aspire to the highest standards in ensuring that signs are appropriately positioned, in good condition, properly worded and relevant. In order to help visitors understand our sites, interpretative panels and labels are provided at all English Heritage sites. They may be fixed to lecterns, frame-fixed to walls, or supplied as free-standing units.

This procurement is to appoint a contractor for the provision of such signage and associated services.

II.2.14) Additional information

English Heritage Trust wishes to engage with the market ahead of this opportunity being released in order to inform the tender process and ensure this is representative of the market. Suppliers interested in this opportunity are encouraged to complete our supplier engagement questionnaire which provides all suppliers with the opportunity to provide input into the final tender approach.

The questionnaire can be accessed via the following link:

<https://forms.office.com/e/LLEKzFF0EY>

Further details are provided within the questionnaire, which will be available for responses until 8th July 2023. We encourage interested suppliers to respond at their earliest convenience as we will review responses as they are received.

Please note that, as the tender is still being finalised, the full tender documents are not currently available to view on our e-tendering portal. Details given in this notice regarding the portal are merely to allow suppliers to pre-register ahead of the tender release should they so choose.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

12 July 2023

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

